



Clark County Regional Support Network Policy Statement

Policy No.: QM27
Policy Title: Involuntary Treatment Services: Less Restrictive Alternative (LRA) and Conditional Release (CR) Monitoring
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Policy: Clark County Regional Support Network (CCRSN) contracted providers are responsible for delivering community mental health services and monitoring individuals who are enrolled in their services and who are on conditional release (CR) or under least restrictive alternative court orders (LRA) from Washington State psychiatric hospitals, consistent with Revised Code of Washington (RCW) and Washington Administrative Code (WAC), and terms delineated in LRA or CR court documents.

Clark County Crisis Services (CCCS) shall monitor the status of consumers receiving community mental health services from CCRSN-contracted provider under these requirements and assess need for revocation and/or continuation of court-ordered treatment. Provider agencies, CCCS, and the CCRSN Hospital Liaison shall communicate necessary information and coordinate services to ensure compliance and quality of care for individuals under CR or LRA.

CCRSN shall monitor compliance with provisions of this policy through its annual provider review.

Reference: RCW 71.05, WAC 388-865-0245 and 0466, or their successors, Washington State Mental Health Division RSN Interlocal Agreements, WA Department of Social and Health Services Protocols for Designated Mental Health Professionals (DMHP), CCRSN Policy and Procedure CM 09: Involuntary Treatment Services, Clark County Crisis Services LRA/CR 30 Day Review Form

Procedure:

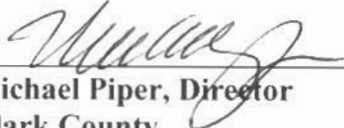
Out-patient Provider Responsibilities

1. Maintain a current list of consumers on LRAs and CRs from psychiatric hospitals who are enrolled in their services;
2. Upon admission, advise consumers of their rights under CR or LRA, as specified in WAC 388-865-0466 (1)(a), or its successor, and document notification in the consumer's record;
3. Maintain a copy of LRA or CR court order in the consumer's record;
4. Include in the individual's treatment plan the conditions of the LRA or CR including the provision of medication management services:
 - a. at least weekly during the fourteen-day period;

- b. monthly during the 90 day and 180 day periods of involuntary treatment unless the physician determines a different schedule and documents the rationale for such.
5. For those consumers on 90-day or 180-day period of involuntary treatment, document in the clinical record a review of the consumer's progress with his or her treatment plan and compliance with the conditions of the CR/LRA, for each month of service or more often when clinically indicated and:
 - a. Coordinate ongoing services with CCCS and CCRSN by completing the *CCCS CR/LRA 30 Day Review Form* for each consumer on LRA or CR during each month of service and faxing the form to CCCS by the fifth (5th) day of the following month in order to inform them of current status or;
 - b. Fax a summary progress note containing the elements on the *CCCS CR/LRA 30 Day Review Form*.
 6. Immediately report to CCCS, by telephone and then by faxing the *CCCS CR/LRA 30 Day Review Form* or progress note, consumers failing to adhere to conditions of the LRA or CR, or when substantial deterioration in functioning occurs and may require more intensive services to stabilize the condition.
 7. Inform CCCS, by telephone, of individuals under CR/LRA who are transfers from out-of-county and enrolled in services.
 8. Maintain written policies and procedures for:
 - a. managing assaultive and/or self-destructive consumer behavior and providing training to staff
 - b. referring consumers to an in-patient evaluation and treatment facility for admission on a 7 day-a-week, 24-hour day basis;
 - c. consumers requiring involuntary detention:
 - i. contacting the DMHP regarding revocation and/or extension of LRA and
 - ii. transporting consumers

Clark County Crisis Team Responsibilities

9. Monitor the compliance of individuals in Clark County under CR/LRA by reviewing the *CR/LRA 30 Day Review Forms* completed by provider agencies and maintaining a centralized tracking log that documents key dates and receipt of provider review forms, related to CR/LRA.
10. Notify providers of consumers leaving a Washington State Hospital on CR or LRA and confirm intake appointment and receipt of CR/LRA documents.
11. Provide technical assistance to providers serving individuals under CR/LRA who are out of compliance with the requirements of their CR/LRA in order to address treatment barriers and maintain compliance to avoid an involuntary return to an in-patient facility. .
12. Make recommendations to the court, when necessary, to revoke or extend an individual's CR/LRA.
13. Coordinate with the CCRSN Hospital Liaison and relevant CCRSN-contracted providers regarding discharge planning for individuals under CR/LRA, from a Washington psychiatric in-patient facility.

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